

DETAILED ACTION

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after allowance or after an Office action under *Ex Parte Quayle*, 25 USPQ 74, 453 O.G. 213 (Comm'r Pat. 1935). Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, prosecution in this application has been reopened pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on **May 27, 2008** has been entered.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1-15 and 17 are allowed.
3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed by Applicant on May 27, 2008 were carefully reviewed. None of the cited references in the IDS, alone or in combination, teaches logical steps of a method with an equation for calculating a telecommunication service charge of a user based on a predetermined length of time for which the user uses the telecommunication service, as recited in the independent claim 1.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue

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fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Binh K. Tieu whose telephone number is (571) 272-7510 and E-mail address: BINH.TIEU@USPTO.GOV.

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